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FM AMEMBASSY SANAA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2555

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY LONDON

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S E C R E T SANAA 1542

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: ALLEGED RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT IRYANI

REF: USCINCEUR 101102Z AUG 73 (NOTAL)

1. WE HAVE NOT SEEN UPI STORY, BUT HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATING ORIGINAL BAGHDAD INA STORY OF AUGUST 8. LATTER AGENCY IS OF COURSE MAJOR SOURCE OF DISINFORMATION ON ARABIAN PENINSULA EVENTS. WE HAVE RECEIVED CONFLICTING INFORMATION LOCALLY, BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT, DESPITE UPI STORY QUOTED REFTEL, IRYANI HAS NOT ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO RESIGN (ILE STORY AS WE RECEIVED IT SPOKE ONLY OF HIS "REPORTED DESIRE TO RESIGN"). ACCORDING TO FAIRLY RELIABLE SOURCE QUOTING HODEIDA GOVERNOR ABU LUHUM, IRYANI DID MENTION RESIGNING AFTER ARRIVAL LATAKIA, BUT YARG HAS NO INDICATION THAT HE REALLY SERIOUS. ACTING FONMIN ASNAG, HOWEVER, HAS DENIED STORY PRIVATELY.

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2. THERE NO DOUBT THAT PRESIDENT UNHAPPY ABOUT PROCON-
SULAR PROCLIVITIES OF SAG AMBASSADOR SUDAIRY, BUT
REFERENCE TO AMERICAN EMBASSY IS PURE BLACK PROPAGANDA.
WHILE IT PERHAPS CONCEIVABLE THAT IRYANI HAS MENTIONED
RESIGNATION PRIVATELY, WE STRONGLY DOUBT THAT IT
COULD BE ANYTHONG MORE THAN PLOY TO REMIND YARG LEADERS
HOW IMPORTANT HIS PRESENCE IS TO COUNTRY IN FACE SAG
AMBASSADOR'S HOSTILITY TO HIM.

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